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Paul White

Back of her time, I see. We we still don't have a quorum present.

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Wooster, Mandy

How many do we need for a corn pole?

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Paul White

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Burnham, Lance

I think we do.

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Wooster, Mandy

That we have Bob, Mark, Lance, Barb, you and will.

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Burnham, Lance

Yeah.

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Paul White

Ohk OK, I guess I didn't realize will was representing that in place of Drew.

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Wooster, Mandy

No good point. Good point.

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Wooster, Mandy

The back.

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Burnham, Lance

Will your you're muted will.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Well, you're unmute.

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Moran, William

Of course.

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Paul White

Yeah.

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Moran, William

And then I would expect you to be on. He didn't ask me to to attend in his place. I thought I would just jump on today to get caught up in what was going on.

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Paul White

Yeah, I did. I got an e-mail from will this morning that he had a conflict at 9:30, but.

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Paul White

Thought he would be on at least for the.

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Paul White

The bulk of the meeting.

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Paul White

I'm sorry from Drew.

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Moran, William

After.

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Paul White

Uh.

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Moran, William

I can send him a text.

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Paul White

I did. I did have a conversation this since last week with Jack Helm, who has only attended a couple of our meetings so far, and he did.

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Paul White

Tell me he would be able to attend today.

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Paul White

But why don't we?

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Paul White

We won't take any business action for lack of a quorum, but we can go ahead and get started. Welcome, everybody.

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Paul White

Thank you for being here and good morning, Commissioner. Thank you for joining us.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Good morning, Paul. It's good to see you.

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Paul White

Likewise.

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Paul White

Umm, so we're we're just going to skip right on by minutes and all of that stuff and.

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Paul White

The Commissioner wanted to talk to this working group about the regional dispatch grant process. That's sort of taking place.

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Paul White

Uh, parallel to the work that we're doing here. So I guess with no further ado.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Have.

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Paul White

Uh, I'll turn it over to you, Jen.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Alright. Thank you Sir and 1st off thank you to the members of the working group. I know this is not the.

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Morrison, Jennifer

But.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Sexiest thing you've ever been invited to work on, and I know it takes up a lot of time, but I really, really

appreciate your efforts. I just. I'm not gonna rehash the entire history of trying to get to a regional dispatch model because we'd be here till next week week, as most of you know. But.

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Morrison, Jennifer

This is of course an over over 55 year old topic and you know the immediate need which has been recognized by the legislature in in age 740 is the immediate need to shed agencies from VSPS to piece apps to keep them viable. And this message has been loudly and clearly stated by DPS in the form of my predecessor and myself and my staff for two years now. So there's no secret about.

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Morrison, Jennifer

The direction we're trying to go in a rather urgent manner.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm. And just to frame things up, visa vie the the working group and the long.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Standing discussion of the transition to regional dispatch there has never been any intent for the to create a state-run system or to have the state prescribe how local and county.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Emergency service organizations meet their dispatching needs so we don't intend to sell to tell people how to best meet their communities needs and and the EMS fire Police first responder agencies in their area.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm so I I just wanted to sort of frame it up that this was never meant to be a fully state-run or state prescribed system.

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Paul White

Yeah.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Eight, 740 covers two things. Obviously you guys are familiar with this because that's why you're convened. There's an appropriation piece and there's a working group and you're working group has three specific charges as I see them, which is the long term funding model without without unduly impacting taxes, which, like OK guys, I want to see what you come up with this go team, go team on that one.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm estimated timeline of transition and funding and estimate of transitional funding that might be needed to make this happen and to identify any reduction in workload at the P apps that would result from shifting agencies shedding agencies away to regional comp centers. So I just kind of go over that the age 740 because the second piece of that is the appropriations which is the chunk of 6.5 million and the chunk of 4.5 million and the six and a half million was intentionally carved out to put seed money on the street.

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Morrison, Jennifer

It is not contingent on a completely comprehensive plan about where every agency in the state is going to land, nor nor is the working group charged with architecting a statewide system. That's not what the legislation calls us to do, so it's intentionally been left up to local control and the 6.5 million was intentionally carved out as.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Money to get things moving and show proof of concept because there are some regions of the state that are going to need to see it work in other places, they're going to need to evaluate the different models that are out there as we know we have long standing regional communication centers in the form of Lamoille, St. Albans, Shelburne and they all do it differently. They all have different structures and fee structures and then we have the Chittenden County Public Safety Authority that has taken a totally different route and they've created a county level government for lack of a better word.

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Morrison, Jennifer

And so the this knowledge that there was going to be many ways forward has always been at the forefront and there are gonna be some agencies or regions that take longer to figure out what what is right sized for them.

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Morrison, Jennifer

But.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Really what I came here today to do is to walk through a draft. I'd like to emphasize a draft friends hold on of a memo.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Make sure I have the right form up here and then I will share my screen.

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Morrison, Jennifer

And I I'm not sure. Uh, Paul, but I'm going to try and share my screen. Let's see how that works, OK.

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Paul White

Umm.

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Paul White

I have faith you can do it. There you go.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Oh boy ah, I get a little nervous with technology, but so as you can see this is watermark draft and we will make this draft available to all of you and to Mr Cheney and Mr Whitaker and anyone else who frequently is interested in these products. We will make this draft available to you. It is not intended to be finalized until much closer to November 9th. But the purpose of this, there's a small overview section, which I won't.

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Morrison, Jennifer

I won't bore you with is to tell you a little bit about the process by which we got to the scoring, which is what I think everybody's mostly interested in today.

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Morrison, Jennifer

But as you can see, back in July with a request for proposal was released for soliciting applications for funding from this six initial \$6.5 million, you can see the timeline here. I don't think this is a surprise to anyone in the working group. This timeline has been rather freely shared. I think the only change in this timeline, as you see it in front of you is that instead of going to joint fiscal Committee on September 21st, which was a super aggressive timeline.

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Morrison, Jennifer

We are now going on November 9th and that feels much better on a variety of fronts. One, it allows us to be here with you today on September 28th and receive feedback from the working group, but it also allows us to do a little more planning with other state level partners, Agency of administration, the governor's office and other stakeholders that we need to spend some time with this plan. This proposed plan with. So that's the timeline of how we got to where we are now.

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Morrison, Jennifer

So this is the project results and I'm going to make sure I show enough that you can everybody see the box that says application rank and it has a pink line and then a blue line at the bottom.

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Paul White

Yes.

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Morrison, Jennifer

OK, great.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Show the applications that came in by the deadline, were scored and ranked initially by the by the the Grant Application Working Group and I wanna make sure that I'm distinguishing that group from this group that I'm speaking to right now. OK, so the folks who were convened to score the grant applications were assisted by our Homeland Security unit, which has extensive experience with RFPs receiving grant applications.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Doing a scoring process, et cetera and making awards. So that group had created this document with a different red line. OK, so the initial red line excluded multiple projects on this list.

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Morrison, Jennifer

When that list was shared with myself and my staff, and we did an initial review, we adjusted the red line by removing substantial engineering costs from 2 projects, so engineering costs were.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm, potentially allowable in the in the language of the RFP. However, there were two projects that had huge engineering cost affiliated with them and was going to.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Was going to eat up more than one and a half, \$1,000,000 out of the total 6.5 million that was available O the red line on the previous iteration was exactly like when we ran out of money 6.5 million. Here's where the money ends. After review by my office, we took out engineering costs from two to two projects, and that allowed us to fund, in part or in whole all of the projects except the one outline liar that you see in in red.

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Morrison, Jennifer

And quite simply, the town of Royalton. That application was sort of backwards engineered, and it didn't meet the intent of the RFP. Rather than explaining how they were going to take on.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Agencies and and shed agencies from the peace up they were looking for transition fees to go to an unspecified.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Center. And so that was disallowed. And that allowed us by moving the red line down. We were we were able to fund in whole or in part, all of the applications that were received.

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Morrison, Jennifer

So that's the that this is where the draft award, shall we say, stands as of this point, it's just under \$6.4 million, as you can see down here in the total amount with a remainder of 100 and \$8000. There is a brief explanation about what costs were disallowed in each of the projects, and I'm not going to take time to go over that. Now. You can see it when the draft is distributed. But I did want to take a quick moment to talk about the rest of.

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Morrison, Jennifer

This memo, you'll see that there's a section on federal funding.

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Morrison, Jennifer

And again, this is future anticipated federal funding. We're just not gonna know for several months whether or not we get this money. The vast majority, in fact, all of it that I'm aware of right now would come from congressionally directed spending funds. There's 3/4 of \$1,000,000 in an ask from Senator Sanders office that could be used for this purpose. It's not specifically allocated for this. And then there we made a \$9 million request.

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Morrison, Jennifer

To Senator Leahy's office specifically to support the implementation and transition to a statewide regional emergency communications system. There are links in here to some of those documents that could be useful to those of you who like to take a deeper dive. But the short answer is that we have identified potential streams of federal funding, and we just won't know for several more months.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm, how that's going to go. So that's important for the consideration of this working group as you consider your charge, which is to look at the estimated timeline and transitional funding that might be needed. These are these are streams that should we receive them could be tapped.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Uh, in that transitional work up and then before I stop sharing my screen, the last section of the document talks about the regional Dispatch working group, the group, this group that I'm speaking to today and their timeline. And that's it. That's the entire memo. So this will be made available to everyone who's interested to.

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Paul White

Right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Have a look at and what the purpose of being here today is really to seek the input from the working group at this time. So what your thoughts are on this memo, particularly particularly the proposed allocation of funds and then if you need time to think about that and you're not prepared to give me feedback right now, you certainly could send it via Paul or Mandy White or sorry, Mandy Worcester, Mandy White really wouldn't probably want to get these emails. Mandy Wooster.

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Paul White

Yeah, right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

So with that working group I'm I'm open for your questions and comments and again thank you for all your work.

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Paul White

OK. Thank you, John.

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Paul White

Umm.

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Paul White

Having just seen it, I'm not sure that I'm I guess my first question that popped into my head was with some of the funding that was disallowed or the the reductions in the grant amounts, does that still leave those projects as viable?

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Morrison, Jennifer

So.

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Morrison, Jennifer

The short answer is yes, there was a significant amount of funding disallowed in the Chittenden County project that just didn't meet the criteria. And you know, a cursory discussion would lead me to believe that the answer is yes, that would absolutely still move them ahead. Likewise, the two projects that we disallowed, the engineering costs they.

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Morrison, Jennifer

It.

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Paul White

Umm.

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Morrison, Jennifer

I'm not an engineering specialist, but if they've already got a plan and already know exactly the equipment that they need and the the the specifics, it strikes me that a lot of the engineering work probably was already done and these were \$800,000 asks for engineering costs that were.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Not specifically allowable in the grant. Uh. And it, and and awarding them would have paralyzed us from being able to bring other projects online.

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Paul White

Umm.

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Morrison, Jennifer

So we made we we made a clean decision to just disallow the engineering cost and that freed up, it just worked out the way the numbers worked that by disallowing those two things. It is my understanding, but I see Chief Pete's here, that that does not prevent the Central Vermont project from going forward. And I think Sheriff Anderson is here, I guess I'd have to ask him.

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Morrison, Jennifer

If that prevents the Windham County project from going forward, so the they're here, you could probably ask them. They're they're the two projects that took \$800,000 hit on engineering costs.

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Paul White

OK. And I have all the applicants been notified of the scoring and the results.

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Paul White

OK.

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Paul White

OK.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Well, I don't know the answer to that because I just saw the one denial letter come by my desk to the town that got disallowed. Royalton. So I'm I I don't know the answer. If they haven't, they're getting it this week because I've seen drafts of the notifications.

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Paul White

OK. Thank you. Uh, Barb, see your hand up?

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Neal, Barbara

Yeah, I might be able to figure this out once I can really take a look at that draft memo, but I noticed a column in the in the area where you've identified who got the awards and the amount. There's a column that says agencies and it lists the number of agencies.

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Neal, Barbara

What does that mean? Is that the number of agencies they currently serve or they would be expected to serve when their project is complete? Or is it like the shift away from Department of Public safety centers?

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Morrison, Jennifer

That's exactly right. It's the number of agencies that they have immediately.

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Morrison, Jennifer

That they have immediately said they would be able to move from VSP, so this is like the initial we know we can onboard these and take them off out of a VSP's app. That doesn't mean it'll be their final answer, it's just that they've identified these agencies as going with them in their initial stand up.

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Neal, Barbara

And and then.

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Morrison, Jennifer

So I'm happy to share my screen again if that's useful to see that again.

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Paul White

Yeah.

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Neal, Barbara

I'll leave that up to Paul at maybe too far down in the weeds for this conversation, but thank you.

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Morrison, Jennifer

OK.

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Paul White

Well, and I you know and not having participated in the the score, I mean I assume that you know for example.

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Paul White

I guess the biggest one is uh Rutland County. They're saying they can take 32 agencies and I assume that the scoring committee confirmed with those 32 agencies that that if Rutland County stands up a dispatch center that they really will go.

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Paul White

OK.

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Paul White

Yeah.

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Paul White

OK.

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Paul White

Right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Uh, I don't know. I I wasn't part of the scoring group. Let me just be clear. I don't think they called all 32 agencies, but they there is a part of the RFP process that seeks letters of support from agencies. So that's a detail that I don't have that level of insight into. But I think I can say confidently that they did not call 32 agencies and confirm that.

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Paul White

Right, probably not. Likely right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Right.

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Paul White

OK, other members of the working group questions or comments for the Commissioner on this, I know we haven't really seen the full document yet, but based on what you've seen.

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Paul White

Uh, just Brian. I'm looking right at you. I'll put you on the spot.

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Paul White

Is loose. Having that amount of your grant application disallowed? Would that prevent you from going forward? Or are you not prepared to say right now?

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Brian Peete

I I'm I'm. I think what we from from our perspective we're hoping to be able to.

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Brian Peete

Yeah, there there's a piece of it that we will not be able to finish that will be crucial for us. However, we're hoping that if we could show progress in the adaptability and the resiliency and that we we're able to take more and be a backup for VSP that we can, you know, get the rest of the of the money that we're requesting, you know from the other money that's been set aside after everything's done coming aside because the way we planned the whole thing from our standpoint is.

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Brian Peete

We want to be able to take as much off the plate.

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Brian Peete

From VSP as we possibly can, and then create that that internal redundancy between US and Barry. So we're pretty much running it between the the two of us. So so our our our intention is we see an opportunity frankly speaking we have our infrastructure is crap and we've been trying to figure out how we're going to pay for it then this opportunity came up and the only thing that we have to do is.

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Brian Peete

Umm, you know to get a stronger infrastructure as to to to take more on?

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Brian Peete

Where where we're ready and willing to do that.

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Brian Peete

Right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Right. I mean I think that's a highlights, an important piece which is that this is not this is not the only bite at the apple there is you know obviously already allocated another four and a half \$1,000,000. And as we mentioned we are we have already applied for certain federal funding. We will continue to aggressively seek out and apply for any funding stream to support these projects. We we get it that the more money we can seek out and put on the street the quicker these transitions will happen. So we're definitely.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Equally as interested in finding additional funding for your project. But Brian, I just Chief Pete, I just wanna kind of put a fine point on this in this first round of six and a half, \$1,000,000 holding out the 800,000 in engineering costs, does that prevent you from moving your concept forward?

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Brian Peete

No.

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Morrison, Jennifer

OK. I just want to make sure that that I understood what I understood and I don't know if Sheriff Anderson is able to answer, but again, putting him on the spots a little bit.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Uh tough, but.

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Paul White

Yeah, I see. I don't. Mark's cameras not on, but I do see he's in the meeting. I know he's in the midst of moving his office, physically moving their office today for to a new location. So I'm not sure if Mark are you there and able to.

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Paul White

Time in.

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Anderson, Mark

I'm here. I'm trying to figure out my camera because it doesn't seem to be turning on.

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Paul White

Sorry, we can hear you.

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Anderson, Mark

So whatever I'm here.

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Anderson, Mark

The the I think those of you who know me know I'm a very technical person, though my computer savviness is more towards computers than radios.

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Anderson, Mark

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Anderson, Mark

I think the short answer to the Commissioners question is no, it doesn't stop us from going forward.

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Anderson, Mark

However, the those funds would allow us to engage people who could make sure that we applied the equipment and the installations and the best way, so doesn't stop me. I have sites identified already, but there might be better ways to do it, especially in partnership with the Department of Public Safety.

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Anderson, Mark

We did anticipate a building out some of our work into the second. The second slot of funding. And so if this is a way forward, we're fine with that.

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Anderson, Mark

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Anderson, Mark

One of the places I'll note that we as I won't speak for Rutland County sheriff's, but I'm speaking specifically in the circumstance of a County Sheriff is that we didn't receive any of the R fundings or I'm sorry ARPA funds that came through the pandemic and so a lot of municipalities had benefits of being able to access resources to leverage project management. Whereas I am the project manager for this.

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Anderson, Mark

So in addition to 30,000 other things going on.

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Anderson, Mark

I'm at because we don't have have a way to pay for it, which I think puts us at a significant disadvantage and would like to at least just note that for future opportunities.

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Anderson, Mark

Uh, as we pursue this project because I think we're all trying to do the same thing.

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Paul White

Thank you, mark.

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Paul White

Uh, limps.

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Burnham, Lance

One quick question and I know we've had this conversation in the past, Commissioner, and forgive me with everything going on, but because they weren't allowed in this round.

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Burnham, Lance

Umm.

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Burnham, Lance

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Burnham, Lance

To get obviously more funding to other agencies, does that completely disallow it in the next round?

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Burnham, Lance

So if if we're moving forward and we're we have the other \$4.5 million and the ASK is not as great, are we able to slip that back in to use that funding in the next round?

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Morrison, Jennifer

So the short answer is the RFP for the next round does not have to be exactly the same as the RFP for this round. And in fact, I would expect it to morph as the working group weighs in on what that expected timeline and transitional costs are. So I would expect that as we walk this path and again we're, you know, let's be clear, we're we're building the plane while we're flying it a little bit. There is no blueprint for exactly doing this right other than we know we have different centers that have been doing it for decades.

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Morrison, Jennifer

The RFP can shift. It could speak specific more specifically, either in the affirmative or in the negative about engineering costs. There is a potential, if I read royal tons application correctly that.

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Morrison, Jennifer

There could be an appetite in the across the state for agencies to say we want transitional funding to then be able to select where we go as opposed to the way it's currently engineered, which is projects that are becoming regional comp centers tell us who they're taking with them.

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Morrison, Jennifer

So there could there could be an appetite to use some of the funding to allow municipalities to transition and go to the center of their choosing. I only draw that out because, you know, I think we're learning that what what the field believes they need to get to the end state. So captain, to your point, it does not mean they are excluded from the next round of state funding. And again, I want to call that out differently. State funding is different from federal funding, different rules apply.

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Morrison, Jennifer

For those of you who make frequent inquiries, we know we have Bulletin 5 for state funding and then there's CFR 200 for federal funding. There's various different rules that apply and each opportunity as it comes our way will be fully vetted and make sure that we are getting the most bang for the buck to make these centers not just move forward, but become operationalized and shed agencies away from our peace apps.

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Paul White

It may be in.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Work does the working group have any more questions for me? I do have to jump to something at 9:00 AM, but I could stay a few minutes extra if I needed to.

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Paul White

So I don't. I don't see any hands going up. I just had one quick question is you know I it it may be in the memo, I just haven't read it yet. Is there a timeline for when these funds will start to go out to the awardees?

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Morrison, Jennifer

So two things. The letters have gone out to the communities. I've just received a text from my staff that those went out this week. The only one they were holding back on was the one rejection letter that they wanted me to wordsmith a little bit.

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Paul White

Right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm, the timeline for this initial six and a half \$1,000,000 is subject to the approval of the joint Fiscal Community Committee. So I am I'm eager for your feedback. I'm eager to make sure we put the best case forward on November 9th so that the goal would be to get that money on the street immediately and get things moving.

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Morrison, Jennifer

I know you guys have a report due in December and I think I guess I just wanna say that I don't think we should.

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Paul White

Yeah.

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Paul White

Right.

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Paul White

Right.

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Morrison, Jennifer

I don't think your report really has anything to do with the initial 6.5 million because they were in. It was intentionally carved out to get things money on the street right away. So I guess I my best guess is that however fast state government can move after November 9th, assuming we get a thumbs up, then that's when the money would hit the street. The last thing I wanna leave the working group with is I would be remiss if I did not say that all projects, even if they're not fully formed.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Fully baked projects have the ability to reach out to our radio technology services division, so we have a division that is out there and ready to help you with your assessment needs and making sure that we are making maximum use of existing state infrastructure. We're not telling projects, you've got to go out and buy all new equipment on your own if we can piggyback, we're going to piggyback if we can build redundancy and failovers, let's do it in a coordinated way from the beginning. Terry Levalley and his team have made themselves available and I just wanted to put that back out there.

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Morrison, Jennifer

To this group that the state's not saying, hey, go it alone, we are bringing our resources, our engineering experience, our decades of providing comms experience to bear to help out the communities of Vermont.

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Paul White

OK. Thank you. Barb. You had your hand up again.

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Neal, Barbara

Yes, just a comment. I think that one part of this draft that the Commissioner just presented that might intersect with our work.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Umm.

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Neal, Barbara

Is that shift in the number of agencies that or the OR the anticipated shift of agencies moving out of DPS to these new regional centers? What is the workload, what is the workload that is shifting out because

that's one of the things that we need to address in our report is the the reduction I think is the wording or the the change in workload at the at the DPS centers. So I don't know how much of that information is available like which agencies.

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Neal, Barbara

What they're call volumes are, or maybe we can research that, but.

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Neal, Barbara

I see that as one one place where these two things.

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Neal, Barbara

Intercept.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Yeah, I think so too. I think you're right, Barb.

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Morrison, Jennifer

And I would leave that to Captain Burnham and his very capable team to provide the details on that, but the presumption is that if we know the agencies a project is trying to take, that we could make some relatively decent calculations, certainly of calls for service in the CAD RMS system probably. But you probably would know by 911 calls and we could probably make some level of assessment of the non-emergency or non 911. Let me say non 911 calls that come in so.

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Morrison, Jennifer

That would be a Captain Burnham.

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Morrison, Jennifer

To work with your team.

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Neal, Barbara

Great. Thank you.

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Paul White

Great. Well, thank you, Commissioner. We look forward to look reading through that draft and.

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Paul White

Providing you with some feedback.

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Morrison, Jennifer

All right. Well, thanks for having me. I have enjoyed being here. And please let me know if I can answer any other questions.

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Paul White

Alright, thank you. Have a good day.

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Morrison, Jennifer

Alright, thank you for all your hard work team. Thank you so much.

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Paul White

OK.

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Paul White

Umm, so jumping back to housekeeping here a little bit. I think we do have enough people to actually call the meeting to order.

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Paul White

No, we kind of already got started.

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Paul White

Backtrack just a little bit. Here. The agenda is kind of.

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Paul White

The moot point.

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Paul White

We do have outstanding minutes there. Any, I don't know if people have had an opportunity to look at the Minutes, are there any adjustments to any of the Minutes that we need to make before we consider them approved?

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Paul White

Everybody's feeling glaring errors.

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Paul White

They're really they're not.

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Paul White

They're just basic.

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Paul White

Basic outline of our meetings, OK, so.

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Paul White

I know before I comment too heavily on the the draft that the Commissioner is sending us, I guess I wanna see at first, so I'm not sure if anybody has anything they want to say about that. I.

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Paul White

I didn't want to get too far down in the weeds with her here, but I I'm just I.

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Paul White

I don't know, Lance what you can share and what you can't share about the the process that went into screening these. I know I've.

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Paul White

I have been told that some of the letters of support that the Commissioner referenced were just boilerplate letters that.

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Paul White

Fire chiefs or police chiefs or different agency heads were asked to sign and just wondering does does that really leave the department within assurance that, you know, I'll just pick on Rutland County since they're proposing to take the largest number of agencies. If they say they're gonna take whatever the number was?

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Paul White

Agencies with them are really confident that all of those agencies are going to go and that Rutland County is going to have a.

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Paul White

A fee structure that is acceptable to all of those towns.

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Burnham, Lance

I I can answer the first part and uh, but I'll definitely leave the second part to Bob. As far as his thoughts on the towns actually going.

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Burnham, Lance

I can tell you that I purposefully and had nothing to do with the scoring committee, had nothing to do with the development of the the draft or the letter that went out.

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Burnham, Lance

Uh, I think it's a conflict of interest for me to be on that due to this working group.

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Burnham, Lance

I do know that.

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Burnham, Lance

But.

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Burnham, Lance

The the working group was made-up of a number of individuals outside of of DPS.

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Burnham, Lance

Multiple agencies. I believe the leagues of cities and towns was involved.

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Burnham, Lance

Clearly our our finance team was involved. Homeland Security Unit was involved.

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Burnham, Lance

And I believe there was an actual chief from the Vermont Chiefs Association, I believe.

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Burnham, Lance

So I didn't. I don't really have.

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Burnham, Lance

Data into that as far as what that draft letter looked like, I I haven't even seen one.

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Burnham, Lance

I I know that interior Levalley was also involved in that that just popped into my head, but I will leave the question as far as you know was just pick on Rutland those agencies. We've had multiple conversations with and we've never had any buddy come back and say no, we're not leaving. However Bob through his full time job and everything I think it would probably be better.

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Paul White
Who?

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Burnham, Lance
To answer that, I have heard rumors which I Bob has quashed thankfully, but Bob I'll kick it to you.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)
OK, thanks. Can everybody hear me OK?

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Burnham, Lance
Yep.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)
No, no.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)
Correct.

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Paul White
Yeah, it it and just let me say I I'm not picking on Rutland for any particular reason other than the fact that looking at the list of grantees Rutland is proposing to take the largest workload off from DPS. And I'm just wondering if if the letters are just boilerplate, yes, we agree and concept to the idea of a regional dispatch center, but then, you know, the sheriff turns around and comes up with a funding mechanism that they disagree with, you know, is DPS really going to have the ability to kick all those agencies out if they don't want to go?

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)
Well, we're hoping that that is the case. I actually am going to a meeting tonight of the regional emergency planning group that they've put together in place of the LPC's to talk to them about this a little bit. The issue we have is not all the towns from the select board standpoint have been involved in this process yet and that's something we're gonna have to work on and get information out to them. Really, there aren't a lot of choices here to go somewhere Rutland PD has basically.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)
In the past indicated they're not interested in taking everybody on and we'd have to then go with somebody like, you know, the Central Vermont group or whatever. And I don't know about dumping 30 to agencies into any of these other centers is gonna be something that's really easy to do. So we're in the it's still a work in progress. As a matter of fact, we now have, we know where we are to some extent as far as the money from the first grant.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Program here and that's good. And I'm trying to get a hold of the sheriff as a matter of fact, today to talk to him.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

But we are, you know, I'm gonna meet with that group tonight. Give him a brief rundown of where we are, that the problems aren't going away. It's something we've gotta deal with. And you know, from the fire service standpoint, I think we're in good shape.

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Paul White

Right.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

I think there might be some people like select boards and the like, who ultimately may have to say yay or nay on this, whether they're departments are gonna get involved if they're municipal. So we're working in that direction and it's a work in progress. But now that we have some information, it's gonna be easier to get a group together and say OK, next step here, governance is something we've got to deal with. And in our charge for our group, I believe we're supposed to come up with some ideas for governance or at least share some.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Is that correct, Paul? From what you see?

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Paul White

Umm.

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Paul White

Yeah, well, governance is a that's something we haven't really spent a whole lot of time talking about, but yes.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

So you know, again, we wanna move this along as quickly as possible. We could make a suggestion on governance, but if that doesn't meet the state's interest or model, where do we go? You know, and that's something we wanna be cognizant of.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Right.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Yep.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Sure, sure.

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Paul White

Right. Well, and I think like the Commissioner said that, you know, not all centers are going to look like going forward. So I don't know that you know there maybe we could propose minimum standards for governance, but what each centers each center's governance looks like, you know could be very different from Rutland County compared to Essex County.

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Paul White

Right.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Definitely. That's Vermont. That's how we work. So, but thank you. Umm, any questions?

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Paul White

Umm, no, I don't think so.

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Burnham, Lance

I do. I I do want to point out, and I believe this is accurate, but again, I'm not on the scoring committee. It was not on the scoring committee. The letters of support they came in.

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Burnham, Lance

I we're actually coming from the actual PDF that were drafted by those particular PD there. I don't believe we have a standard form that we sent out and requested for with the RP. It was it was, we were gonna leave it up to the the applicants.

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Burnham, Lance

And those PDF's that wanted we did get a number of of letters of support down South, particular in I think it was Wilmington, Dover, things like that. But again those were generated by the PD themselves and not a specific form that BSPP actually sent out to them.

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Paul White

That when you say PD you're talking about after you talk about the grant applicants. So you're talking about agencies to be shed.

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Paul White

So.

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Burnham, Lance

Agencies that would be shared.

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Paul White

Well, not just it wouldn't be just PD. They'd be fire departments, EMS.

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Burnham, Lance

Correct.

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Paul White

OK.

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Paul White

So uh.

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Paul White

Yeah, until I have a chance to dive into that draft, I'm hesitant to say much more about it.

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Paul White

Umm. So where were we?

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Paul White

Thank UM. As far as working doing a time check here, it's 9:10. We still have plenty of time.

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Paul White

Uh. Working towards our report.

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Paul White

That we've been sort of drafting.

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Paul White

I think we were hoping to get something from Bob and Drew just to put into writing what they had sort of told us verbally a couple of weeks ago about.

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Paul White

Umm.

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Paul White

Types of work that fire and EMS agencies are involved in that put a demand on dispatching, but aren't necessarily reflected in any kind of a record management system. Don't know if you either of you have that in able to share it so that we can start inserting that into our working.

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Paul White

OK, OK.

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Bob Schlachter (Guest)

So that's still a work in progress for us, but hopefully by our next meeting we'll have something more definitive.

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Paul White

OK.

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Drew Hazelton

I'll echo that comment, I'll, I'll try to have it for our next meeting.

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Paul White

OK, thank you, drew.

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Paul White

Umm so I guess next for assignments not. I'll call them assignments, but as far as things that were people were working on in the interim since our last meetings, I guess, Lance, you were gonna look into other.

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Paul White

Other dispatch centers that we hadn't yet centered.

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Burnham, Lance

Uh, yes.

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Paul White

Umm.

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Burnham, Lance

I actually pulled the document that Barb graciously provided us all I have been. I'm not done yet. This is going to take. This is gonna take a while, but I am going through it. I have probably 123.

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Burnham, Lance

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Burnham, Lance

I probably have about 10 out of the list that I've contacted to get their budget and stuff like that, like at what is your operating cost. So we can kind of my thinking is to once we have that, we might be able to get an estimated cost of these standalone agency agencies to say, hey, this is roughly what it costs these agencies to keep their budget up and running. The good thing after looking at some of these lists is that.

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Burnham, Lance

The ones that are actually applying for to be a centralized centers really, aside from Rutland.

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Burnham, Lance

Are going to be relatively consistent with the operating budgets of some of these other smaller agencies. They're already running their own full time agencies, so.

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Burnham, Lance

I mean, I'm looking at it. It just we know it's having Roger come in saying that his budget operating budget was approximately a little over a million for his piece app.

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Burnham, Lance

His agency and the number of agencies that he actually served would be consistent with, say, what harford's doing or with potentially what Rutland is going to be operating. Maybe Rutland will be a little bit bigger.

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Burnham, Lance

But.

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Burnham, Lance

But.

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Burnham, Lance

It's having having eyes on this. It makes me feel better that we're not creating something that's

insurmountable. Like if whatever Chief Pete decides to do, we're Rutland because there are agencies that are already doing it. And once we get their data better or get better data from them.

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Burnham, Lance

We'll have a a better.

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Burnham, Lance

Estimate of how much it's actually going to cost. Umm I am having problem getting some data from from.

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Burnham, Lance

Officers or departments, but.

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Burnham, Lance

Umm.

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Paul White

Right.

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Burnham, Lance

It's just going to take a while because it's a lot of work and there's a lot of agencies here, so, but I would say I probably have at least 1/4 of it done.

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Paul White

When you say you're having problems that because refusal to give the information or just disconnects and trying to reach the right people.

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Paul White

Yeah. OK.

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Burnham, Lance

Just trying to get to the right people. I'm hesitant to Google a department and get pull up their operating budget because we all know that's.

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Paul White

Right.

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Paul White

Right.

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Burnham, Lance

It's never accurate. I'd rather talk to the chief and say, tell me what you got. What was it last year and do it that way.

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Paul White

Yes, agreed.

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Burnham, Lance

So, but it's going, it's just there's a lot here and I'll continue to chip away at.

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Paul White

OK.

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Paul White

So Mandy, first of all, are you leaving at 9:30 like you usually do?

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Wooster, Mandy

I'm not today. My other meeting got cancelled.

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Wooster, Mandy

Yeah.

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Paul White

You're not OK are you able to bring that document up? And I've kind of lost track of. I know we had these few assignments outstanding, but aside from that, I've kind of lost track of where we were at in our process.

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Wooster, Mandy

Absolutely. Stand by 1.

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Paul White

You know and and while you're doing that, I'll just throw this out to you, Mandy, and to Lance. You know, I didn't. The Commissioner needed to get off to another engagement, but I'm just wondering with the, you know, what you're doing with this document is extremely helpful in terms of getting everything down on, quote, UN quote on paper electronic paper.

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Paul White

But when it comes to actually writing the report.

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Paul White

I don't know if there is, maybe this is a question you can take back to the Commissioner, or maybe, you know, is there any chance of funding being available to hire someone to professionally write this report who may have some experience doing that? Or is there somebody you know? I don't mean to discount your experience, Mandy. I don't know what you've done in the past, but.

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Paul White

I certainly have never written a report for the legislature and the governor, and I've got some samples of previous ones that I can look at, but I didn't know if there was any funding to pay somebody to do this, to put the final product together for us.

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Paul White

OK.

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Wooster, Mandy

I don't have any answer as far as whether or not there's funding available.

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Wooster, Mandy

Yeah, I I don't have extensive experience writing these either other than, you know, I I think that.

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Wooster, Mandy

To some extent, we might be overthinking this a little bit as far as what exactly it needs to be, the report needs to meet the mandate, and so I my thought is if our team can come up, you know, use this this draft and come up with all of the talking points and kind of write it, then perhaps at that point we go back with some of the attorneys to be able to have them fine tune, look at language and make sure that we're we're capturing everything and that it's in a format that seems accessible.

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Wooster, Mandy

Acceptable to the legislature?

0:45:17.620 --> 0:45:19.950

Wooster, Mandy

Those are just my thoughts, Lance. Do you have any thoughts?

0:45:21.60 --> 0:45:26.770

Burnham, Lance

Yeah. No, I I agree. I'm not. I mean, I can. I'm sure we could go to the Commissioner and ask.

0:45:27.870 --> 0:45:28.640

Burnham, Lance

But I.

0:45:29.740 --> 0:45:30.510

Burnham, Lance

I don't wanna.

0:45:32.980 --> 0:45:51.890

Burnham, Lance

Overthink it. Either you know. I mean, I think the we've gotten, we've gotten the ask from the Commissioner, which is very clearly outlined in the directive and quite frankly, I think very on a very good from what we have. I think we're in a good position.

0:45:53.390 --> 0:45:59.290

Burnham, Lance

But I think at that point, once we're done, I think it's we'll probably go to legal and say.

0:46:0.220 --> 0:46:2.390

Burnham, Lance

What? What's the best way to go about doing this?

0:46:4.110 --> 0:46:12.800

Burnham, Lance

But I we meet with the Commissioner enough to say it, it would be who of us to ask like, is there money available to do this if we need it?

0:46:12.560 --> 0:46:24.480

Paul White

Yeah. Well, and because it, you know, it's not only a report to the legislature or it's a report to her boss. And so I'm sure she has an interest in it having me having it be a, excuse me, a quality product when it comes out.

0:46:25.130 --> 0:46:28.660

Burnham, Lance

Yeah, it it'll be your name on there, Paul. So it's it's OK.

0:46:28.140 --> 0:46:29.30

Paul White

Exactly.

0:46:35.930 --> 0:46:39.900

Wooster, Mandy

But I pulled up that document. Paul let me know if there's a particular section that you'd like me to go to.

0:46:41.850 --> 0:46:43.60

Paul White

Umm OK.

0:46:47.410 --> 0:46:48.880

Burnham, Lance

Could I could I make a request?

0:46:49.190 --> 0:46:50.380

Paul White

Yeah, absolutely.

0:46:51.420 --> 0:46:56.730

Burnham, Lance

Can we just? I know Barb brought this up. Can we jump to the area where it will talk about?

0:46:59.190 --> 0:47:3.80

Burnham, Lance

Uh. Either impacts on other agencies or.

0:47:4.390 --> 0:47:5.640

Burnham, Lance

I can't remember what it says.

0:47:8.980 --> 0:47:10.850

Burnham, Lance

Identify the reduction of workload.

0:47:12.250 --> 0:47:12.500

Paul White

Right.

0:47:14.710 --> 0:47:26.110

Burnham, Lance

Umm I have a document that that we that I drafted again a couple years ago. I'm actually willing to share it if I could do that and I'll.

0:47:27.380 --> 0:47:31.430

Burnham, Lance

Show everybody what I what I essentially did is I broke it down by county.

0:47:32.330 --> 0:47:33.700

Burnham, Lance

Hold on. I'll. I'll bring it up.

0:47:35.500 --> 0:47:37.250

Burnham, Lance

And maybe this will help.

0:47:44.880 --> 0:47:45.650

Burnham, Lance

Anybody see this?

0:47:46.490 --> 0:47:46.780

Paul White

Yes.

0:47:47.470 --> 0:48:5.900

Burnham, Lance

OK, so essentially what I did and some of you have probably seen this in the past, but I broke this down by county, Addison County, every county that we dispatch for and those agencies that we actually dispatch for and we pulled data from CAD saying.

0:48:6.530 --> 0:48:14.100

Burnham, Lance

During a particular particular year, how many incidents did we punch for specific agencies?

0:48:15.950 --> 0:48:18.620

Burnham, Lance

So it it's pretty, it's pretty basic.

0:48:19.830 --> 0:48:28.490

Burnham, Lance

Orange County, we punched 1400 cases. Rutland County, we punched 11,545.

0:48:29.800 --> 0:48:35.420

Burnham, Lance

Now these are incidents for fire departments, EMS and law enforcement.

0:48:36.720 --> 0:48:41.310

Burnham, Lance

And then within the Williston Piece app, we've it's, it's the same here.

0:48:43.290 --> 0:48:56.270

Burnham, Lance

This will help, I believe, in determining you know what's the workload that could potentially be shifted to other agencies as well as the reduction of workload that BSP will do.

0:48:57.440 --> 0:49:8.460

Burnham, Lance

The only caveat here is that this also includes Vermont State Police cases. It includes the fishing game. It also includes electric control to a minor extent.

0:49:10.540 --> 0:49:20.920

Burnham, Lance

But it gives everybody an idea of what the caseload and what the call volume that we deal with on an annual basis.

0:49:22.330 --> 0:49:29.520

Burnham, Lance

And I don't. I believe this will help in answering that question a little bit, but I'll leave it to the group to get what everyone else thinks.

0:49:30.180 --> 0:49:38.50

Paul White

Yeah, I assume that you would be able to. I mean, you're only showing the total incidents for each county, but I would assume you would be able to extract.

0:49:38.780 --> 0:49:41.260

Paul White

The state agency cases from those numbers.

0:49:41.700 --> 0:49:43.240

Burnham, Lance

Yes. Yeah.

0:49:43.850 --> 0:49:47.20

Paul White

You'd get a truer picture of the workload that would go away.

0:49:47.830 --> 0:49:58.160

Burnham, Lance

Yes, I think and again I'll leave this to mark being the Valcour wizard that he is. We can work with valcor. I mean it, it won't be 100% dad.

0:50:2.560 --> 0:50:2.930

Paul White

Right.

0:49:58.970 --> 0:50:3.120

Burnham, Lance

Accurate because we're not into even into a full year in the into the Valcour system.

0:50:11.750 --> 0:50:11.970

Paul White

Right.

0:50:4.670 --> 0:50:19.840

Burnham, Lance

But being a good baseline here, we know that this is average. We go up some years, we go down some years, but this is relatively good average to start with. So really if we just extracted the state agencies, I think we would have a very good.

0:50:21.230 --> 0:50:25.90

Burnham, Lance

Total here to to kinda start answering that question.

0:50:38.100 --> 0:50:38.410

Burnham, Lance

Yeah.

0:50:25.570 --> 0:50:40.710

Paul White

Yeah, I mean, you could take the the total call volume that's currently on the screen and break that down into percentages of how much of what percentage of that call volume is state agencies and is gonna stay and what percentage is local agencies and will go away eventually.

0:50:42.620 --> 0:50:42.840

Paul White

OK.

0:50:41.320 --> 0:50:42.850

Burnham, Lance

Yes. Yep.

0:50:44.70 --> 0:50:44.440

Paul White

Barb.

0:50:45.900 --> 0:50:56.710

Neal, Barbara

So that point was exactly my question is extracting this the state workload from this and I'm also looking at Rutland County and thinking.

0:50:57.870 --> 0:51:5.910

Neal, Barbara

You know, if that shifts into a Rutland County regional PSEP are we just creating the same problem all over again? So it would be interesting to know how that's.

0:51:6.660 --> 0:51:10.250

Neal, Barbara

Going to be addressed by that I mean a workload problem.

0:51:12.60 --> 0:51:16.440

Neal, Barbara

And then also is this list up on our website or can it be?

0:51:18.670 --> 0:51:19.60

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:51:17.670 --> 0:51:21.330

Burnham, Lance

Yeah, it can be. I can. I can get it up there.

0:51:21.990 --> 0:51:26.530

Neal, Barbara

And one more question is what what year is this data from?

0:51:30.250 --> 0:51:30.660

Paul White

Bless you.

0:51:30.310 --> 0:51:31.620

Burnham, Lance

Excuse me, 2019.

0:51:32.400 --> 0:51:33.680

Neal, Barbara

2019, OK.

0:51:34.350 --> 0:51:34.650

Burnham, Lance

Yes.

0:51:35.920 --> 0:51:47.290

Neal, Barbara

I mean, if it's possible to run a more current year, that might be helpful too. I don't know if there's been big shifts. I will point out that in 911 calls there was a big jump in call volume.

0:51:48.930 --> 0:51:59.940

Neal, Barbara

Between 2020 and 2021, we went up almost 13% in 911 call volume. I don't know. I mean that I would assume that would have impact these numbers.

0:52:1.650 --> 0:52:4.280

Neal, Barbara

As well, it will impact those numbers as well.

0:52:5.570 --> 0:52:5.980

Neal, Barbara

So.

0:52:5.290 --> 0:52:10.680

Paul White

Yeah, I'm here. I'm curious, Barb, with that jump in 21, was there a decrease in 2020?

0:52:11.680 --> 0:52:14.310

Paul White

So that the this big jump in 2021 was.

0:52:15.260 --> 0:52:15.980

Neal, Barbara

Umm.

0:52:15.680 --> 0:52:21.820

Paul White

Was was it there really that big compared to 2019 for? Because I know a lot of agencies in 2020 because of COVID.

0:52:25.630 --> 0:52:26.490

Neal, Barbara

Yeah, let me.

0:52:22.230 --> 0:52:38.840

Paul White

Umm, just we're doing anything. I mean, people, people, people, people were people were scared to death to go to the hospital and people were locked in their homes under the stay. Home, stay safe order and everybody's activity was down in 2020. So I'm wondering if the spike you're seeing in 21 is.

0:52:40.60 --> 0:52:40.950

Paul White

Because of that.

0:52:47.110 --> 0:52:47.440

Paul White

OK.

0:52:40.440 --> 0:52:47.550

Neal, Barbara

I don't think so, but let me Umm while you continue UM talking, I'll dig up my my numbers and be able to give you an answer for sure.

0:52:48.850 --> 0:52:49.140

Paul White

OK.

0:52:49.900 --> 0:53:2.410

Burnham, Lance

Yeah, I don't remember where I saw this or I don't know if I have access to. I might have access to it, but our caseload I as in VSP did go down in 2020 because clearly we were.

0:53:4.530 --> 0:53:4.840

Paul White

Right.

0:53:8.230 --> 0:53:8.520

Paul White

Right.

0:53:3.110 --> 0:53:11.830

Burnham, Lance

No one was going anywhere and we were directed to essentially go to a town and be seen, but we weren't responding to a number of incidents. So clearly those incidents go down.

0:53:13.660 --> 0:53:17.350

Burnham, Lance

2122 obviously we're not even through yet, so.

0:53:20.900 --> 0:53:22.920

Burnham, Lance

I'm not so sure that data is going to be accurate.

0:53:23.390 --> 0:53:23.570

Paul White

Right.

0:53:23.830 --> 0:53:26.780

Neal, Barbara

2020 21 data would be accurate, wouldn't it?

0:53:27.540 --> 0:53:29.10

Neal, Barbara

Or things returning to normal.

0:53:31.160 --> 0:53:31.510

Burnham, Lance

If.

0:53:32.140 --> 0:53:32.330

Paul White

Yeah.

0:53:32.310 --> 0:53:32.680

Burnham, Lance

Yeah.

0:53:30.20 --> 0:53:33.410

Neal, Barbara

I don't know. Somebody else can figure out what what's what's best.

0:53:37.610 --> 0:53:39.80

Paul White

OK Umm so.

0:53:40.640 --> 0:53:41.310

Paul White

Where were we?

0:53:46.840 --> 0:53:47.580

Burnham, Lance

So if Mandy.

0:53:46.600 --> 0:53:47.930

Paul White

Back to the document, I guess.

0:53:48.240 --> 0:54:0.0

Burnham, Lance

Yeah. Mandy, can you bring up the document again? And I guess the the question I would have is, you know this is the data that we do have. What else does the working group feel that we need to be able to answer that question?

0:54:6.790 --> 0:54:7.160

Paul White

Yeah.

0:54:8.360 --> 0:54:12.230

Paul White

Well, and you know, and I still wanna beat this horse, but you know.

0:54:14.380 --> 0:54:34.960

Paul White

The the mandate is to come up with a I forget exactly what it says, but we're come up with a regional system that's not gonna unduly affect the property tax, specifically property taxes. The commissioners had taxes, but I think the language is actually property taxes and property taxes refers to local municipal taxes. So I just no matter what.

0:54:35.990 --> 0:54:37.670

Paul White

Comes to the surface as.

0:54:39.950 --> 0:55:6.790

Paul White

For dispatch Centers for regional dispatch centers, they're going to have to be funded. And I don't know of any proposals that hold the local communities harmless. The Rutland County Sheriff is going to stand up and regional dispatch center and dispatch for 20 fire departments and not get paid for it. And all of those departments currently are paying nothing. So I don't know. I don't know how we arrive at a plan that doesn't affect the property tax unless the state is kicking in some kind of money.

0:55:9.500 --> 0:55:10.390

kim cheney (Guest)

You continue.

0:55:8.540 --> 0:55:10.990

Paul White

And Barbara, your hands still up? Or did you put it up again?

0:55:12.300 --> 0:55:12.810

Paul White

Notice.

0:55:12.140 --> 0:55:13.110

kim cheney (Guest)

But I send you.

0:55:13.920 --> 0:55:15.740

Paul White

OK, no, please.

0:55:12.460 --> 0:55:18.970

Neal, Barbara

I put it up again and sorry to keep interrupting, but I have that those call volume numbers when you're ready for them.

0:55:21.860 --> 0:55:22.580

Neal, Barbara

You ready now?

0:55:22.960 --> 0:55:23.510

Paul White

Yes, sure.

0:55:25.500 --> 0:55:25.880

kim cheney (Guest)

No.

0:55:23.230 --> 0:55:27.860

Neal, Barbara

Or ohh OK, let me just share this simple little document here.

0:55:29.600 --> 0:55:30.350

kim cheney (Guest)

Ohh.

0:55:29.290 --> 0:55:32.540

Neal, Barbara

So here we have the call. Whoop, can you see that? OK.

0:55:32.880 --> 0:55:33.300

Paul White

Yes.

0:55:37.190 --> 0:55:37.460

kim cheney (Guest)

Good.

0:55:34.320 --> 0:55:42.970

Neal, Barbara

Here we have the call volume shifts. UM, between 2016 and 2021. So to your question, Paul.

0:55:44.10 --> 0:55:50.490

Neal, Barbara

I think you asked where we down in 2020. We no, we just weren't up as much. We were about even.

0:55:49.690 --> 0:55:52.620

Paul White

We were we were basically flat in 2020.

0:55:53.220 --> 0:55:56.550

Neal, Barbara

Yeah. And then there's a big jump in 2021.

0:56:8.550 --> 0:56:8.810

Paul White

Right.

0:55:58.190 --> 0:56:9.160

Neal, Barbara

You know, we're not able to tell whether each individual call is police, fire or EMS, because without listening to every single call, which of course we cannot do.

0:56:10.980 --> 0:56:23.230

Neal, Barbara

So I have a sample set of data that might suggest that you know 30% of the calls are EMS and 25 are law and I'm just pulling those numbers from the error that was are not the actual numbers.

0:56:24.550 --> 0:56:26.750

Neal, Barbara

That might help with this, but.

0:56:27.970 --> 0:56:30.860

Neal, Barbara

I don't know. It could be. It could be 2021 was.

0:56:32.810 --> 0:56:37.390

Neal, Barbara

And anomaly, although we're certainly actually maybe not because we're.

0:56:47.740 --> 0:56:48.700

Paul White

Right, right.

0:56:38.170 --> 0:56:49.500

Neal, Barbara

We are close to that, you know, not another 13% increase, but close to the we're tracking that about the same call volume is what I'm trying to say for this year, so.

0:56:50.20 --> 0:56:58.330

Burnham, Lance

So Barbara quick, that .54% increase is that an increase above the 2021 data?

0:56:58.880 --> 0:56:59.390

kim cheney (Guest)

Ohh.

0:56:59.10 --> 0:56:59.660

Neal, Barbara

Yes.

0:57:0.10 --> 0:57:0.370

Burnham, Lance

OK.

0:57:1.550 --> 0:57:4.370

Neal, Barbara

Sir, about 1000, you know, 900 calls rather.

0:57:5.190 --> 0:57:8.780

Neal, Barbara

Ohm above where we were at this point last year.

0:57:11.200 --> 0:57:11.600

Paul White

OK.

0:57:15.800 --> 0:57:16.300

Neal, Barbara

No.

0:57:12.880 --> 0:57:20.250

Paul White

And we're not seeing a dip after 2021, 2020 one wasn't. It wasn't a spike. It was just a an abnormally large increase.

0:57:20.830 --> 0:57:21.920

Neal, Barbara

Yeah. Yep.

0:57:22.600 --> 0:57:23.120

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:57:25.160 --> 0:57:25.550

Paul White

OK.

0:57:26.280 --> 0:57:33.950

Neal, Barbara

So, you know, I don't know, back to the question that that I was kind of pestering Lance about, you know.

0:57:35.230 --> 0:57:40.350

Neal, Barbara

If there was that much of a shift in the 911 call volume, it might be worth looking at the.

0:57:41.50 --> 0:57:46.740

Neal, Barbara

You know that spreadsheet you just shared and the the corresponding shifts on that one for 2021?

0:57:47.370 --> 0:57:49.20

Neal, Barbara

Would be my thought but.

0:57:51.730 --> 0:57:53.180

Burnham, Lance

2021 data will be.

0:57:54.600 --> 0:57:59.180

Burnham, Lance

Uh should be relatively easy to pull because we can pull it from Spillman.

0:58:0.640 --> 0:58:2.720

Burnham, Lance

It's pulling it from Valcour that.

0:58:3.880 --> 0:58:9.790

Burnham, Lance

Is difficult on my end because I'm not a super user and.

0:58:10.690 --> 0:58:24.930

Burnham, Lance

Frankly, last time I tried to pull something up, Valkyrie shut the system down, but but pulling it from pulling it from Spillman should be should be easier, so I will. I will ask to have that happen.

0:58:29.410 --> 0:58:29.690

Paul White

OK.

0:58:34.440 --> 0:58:38.550

Paul White

All right, Mandy. Sorry. Keep making you go up and down with your document here, but.

0:58:41.280 --> 0:58:44.770

Wooster, Mandy

It's no problem. Let me know if you want me to go up to the funding options or if you want me to stay here.

0:58:53.700 --> 0:58:58.630

Paul White

I think that that number 3, identifying the reduction workload is still a work in progress.

0:59:0.730 --> 0:59:2.100

Paul White

That Lance is working on.

0:59:20.500 --> 0:59:26.200

Paul White

I think there there are some sections you know the the the document. The charge is sort of broken into two pieces.

0:59:27.60 --> 0:59:31.490

Paul White

The powers and duties on the the second-half, I don't know that we have really.

0:59:33.160 --> 0:59:35.450

Paul White

We even take a dive into that yet.

0:59:38.0 --> 0:59:43.90

Paul White

Lance is working on the detail by town and or by emergency service provider.

0:59:50.320 --> 0:59:51.220

Paul White

We have that.

0:59:59.660 --> 0:59:59.960

Paul White

Right.

1:0:6.690 --> 1:0:7.460

Paul White

The next.

1:0:8.900 --> 1:0:12.120

Paul White

The next item down is to identify a transitional timeline and.

1:0:15.240 --> 1:0:22.660

Paul White

I am totally in the dark as to what that timeline would be. I guess it might be helpful to know what some of the.

1:0:23.430 --> 1:0:30.800

Paul White

Grant applicants were proposing for a timeline in there, cause you know they've done the research to know how long it's gonna take them to.

1:0:31.510 --> 1:0:33.790

Paul White

Stand up these proposed regional centers.

1:0:34.450 --> 1:0:37.560

Paul White

Umm, OK. Thanks mark. Good luck with your move.

1:0:41.270 --> 1:0:55.740

Wooster, Mandy

I'm wondering if the timeline piece is something it could be something as simple as identifying, you know, essentially how long that we would give folks to switch over to a regional dispatch center.

1:0:57.110 --> 1:1:2.500

Wooster, Mandy

Or how long we would would give like a you know an end date for transition or proposed end date for transition?

1:1:3.600 --> 1:1:4.770

Paul White

You know. Uh, Brian.

1:1:6.90 --> 1:1:26.260

Brian Peete

Yeah, I would definitely second that and think that maybe we could put something in there specific that's requiring a normal cause. I mean even like with the state's current guidelines now they require quarterly reports on their product, quarterly progress reports. And I'm looking at that. And then like in, in, in by date and then like a waiver process that if.

1:1:26.950 --> 1:1:27.500

Brian Peete

You know.

1:1:28.510 --> 1:1:37.80

Brian Peete

That that if somebody needs to go beyond this, they, you know, they they need to, you know we we should have a drop dead date so we can get some of that pressure off as soon as possible.

1:1:38.750 --> 1:2:9.170

Brian Peete

For for DPS, but keeping in mind logistics changed and staff shortages, but all you know a reporting progress, a process to see how the progress is going away to vet that to make sure that we're going in the right that whatever agency that has this great money is going in the right direction and then a

process in which that if they need more than than this drop dead date that there has to be a harder look at what that process is just to make sure that they're going to get done everything we need them to get done and they say they're going to get.

1:2:15.880 --> 1:2:22.60

Paul White

Yeah, I keep. I keep having this thought of, you know, their ultimately maybe.

1:2:23.210 --> 1:2:39.930

Paul White

Some agencies out there that even though you know if we say we could Fast forward a couple of years and we have these regional centers scattered around the state, there are some agencies currently being dispatched by VSP that may have to be dragged yelling and screaming out the door to.

1:2:40.730 --> 1:2:41.880

Paul White

Forced them off.

1:2:42.770 --> 1:2:43.880

Paul White

The VP.

1:2:45.90 --> 1:2:49.510

Paul White

Dispatching platform and I don't know what the appetite for that is in the department.

1:2:50.830 --> 1:2:56.800

Paul White

You know, we're still some time away from that. But you know what's gonna be the incentive? You know, if there's a.

1:2:57.880 --> 1:3:10.290

Paul White

Small town Police Department, fire department, whatever that's currently being dispatched for free, and we're we've made available for them. This whole host of different regional centers that they could go to, but it's going to come at a cost.

1:3:11.50 --> 1:3:12.700

Paul White

I'm I don't know what happened.

1:3:16.880 --> 1:3:18.140

Paul White

Longer dispatching for you.

1:3:19.560 --> 1:3:24.90

Paul White

Nobody wants to shut the door on an emergency responder and say we're not going to take your calls.

1:3:28.800 --> 1:3:35.930

Paul White

But whether it's whether it's a carrot or whether it's a stick, there's gonna need to be something to get those last few Klingons.

1:3:36.750 --> 1:3:37.400

Paul White

Out the door.

1:3:45.100 --> 1:3:52.820

Paul White

And then identify state resources that may become available once the new dispatch system is fully operational.

1:3:53.700 --> 1:3:54.340

Paul White

Umm.

1:3:56.170 --> 1:4:4.620

Paul White

You know from the conversations you and I have had, Lance, I don't know that there are new resources that will become available is more of a case of allowing.

1:4:5.360 --> 1:4:6.490

Paul White

DPS to.

1:4:7.390 --> 1:4:8.890

Paul White

Do a better job of.

1:4:5.840 --> 1:4:9.160

kim cheney (Guest)

PS To do a better job of.

1:4:10.400 --> 1:4:12.880

Paul White

I'm hearing myself through somebody's computer.

1:4:10.730 --> 1:4:13.280

kim cheney (Guest)

I'm hearing myself through somebody's computer.

1:4:15.650 --> 1:4:16.10

Paul White

Umm.

1:4:19.290 --> 1:4:20.680

Paul White

But it mute somebody here.

1:4:19.640 --> 1:4:21.30

kim cheney (Guest)

And if Mutombo here?

1:4:28.370 --> 1:4:37.550

Paul White

Yeah. So I don't know if you've had any more thoughts about that since we talked before, Lance, about resources that may become available once all these agencies have been shed from DPS.

1:4:41.620 --> 1:4:43.970

Burnham, Lance

Sorry. Yeah, I I don't.

1:4:47.930 --> 1:4:48.210

Paul White

Umm.

1:4:44.860 --> 1:4:52.810

Burnham, Lance

I don't know, I guess, and I hate saying that, but I don't know what what resources that we have that's not already available.

1:4:54.550 --> 1:5:2.510

Burnham, Lance

That just because we're losing or just because we don't have the responsibility of dispatching for those other agencies doesn't mean that.

1:5:3.590 --> 1:5:5.160

Burnham, Lance

We have resources.

1:5:7.110 --> 1:5:17.760

Burnham, Lance

You know, maybe maybe something in the lines of training something in the lines of something like that. But you know, it's not like it's not like all of a sudden we're gonna have.

1:5:19.680 --> 1:5:24.460

Burnham, Lance

Our technology units all of a sudden going to become available more than already is you know what I mean, it's.

1:5:25.720 --> 1:5:26.10

Burnham, Lance

But.

1:5:25.40 --> 1:5:30.220

Paul White

Well, and it's it's not like you're going to suddenly say, OK, take \$1,000,000 out of my budget. I don't need it anymore.

1:5:31.300 --> 1:5:31.600

Burnham, Lance

Yeah.

1:5:32.620 --> 1:5:32.930

Burnham, Lance

Yeah.

1:5:35.370 --> 1:5:49.720

Burnham, Lance

I'm sure you know I'm not. I'm thinking down the road, but I'm sure that you know we will lose positions out of this. I would imagine. I don't. I don't have a firm answer on that. It's gonna be hard for VSP to say.

1:5:51.510 --> 1:6:2.840

Burnham, Lance

Hey, we have I think our TO is 70 to dispatchers or whatever it is. It's gonna be hard for us to justify saying we still need 72 when we've lost all of our impose agencies.

1:6:4.800 --> 1:6:5.140

Burnham, Lance

But.

1:6:6.490 --> 1:6:11.240

Burnham, Lance

That won't be. I will be long gone before that decision gets made.

1:6:17.940 --> 1:6:18.870

Paul White

Yeah, go back.

1:6:27.580 --> 1:6:31.490

Paul White

And then identify any other ongoing sources of statewide revenue, I think.

1:6:32.410 --> 1:6:34.0

Paul White

Umm, we've talked about.

1:6:36.660 --> 1:6:42.590

Paul White

Uh congressional earmarks, but that again will be, you know, one time funding if they're, if it even comes to fruition.

1:6:45.340 --> 1:6:45.560

Burnham, Lance

Right.

1:6:46.370 --> 1:6:48.280

Paul White

We've talked about the, you know, we've.

1:6:48.970 --> 1:6:52.310

Paul White

Last week, or the week before, I forget, we talked about various other.

1:6:53.970 --> 1:6:59.530

Paul White

Funding mechanisms that are not currently being used, whether it's the the connection fee or the right away fee.

1:7:4.50 --> 1:7:5.340

Paul White

Raising the USF.

1:7:8.290 --> 1:7:14.930

Paul White

And again, these are things that I don't think this working group is gonna decide, but we can present options. I'm sorry, Barb. I you had your hand up.

1:7:15.580 --> 1:7:18.570

Neal, Barbara

Yeah, I just wanna go back quickly to the last point.

1:7:20.30 --> 1:7:50.100

Neal, Barbara

So I'm not quite sure what you mean by training, so I'd be interested to know that. But on the loss of positions, once you know the call volumes and you need to also know your telephone call volumes, which maybe you can extrapolate from incident call volumes, you there are calculators out there that will say this is how many this is, how many, how much staff you need to support that call volume. And so I think if you're going to say there will.

1:7:50.190 --> 1:7:52.780

Neal, Barbara

Or we are going to say there will or will not be.

1:7:54.140 --> 1:7:58.440

Neal, Barbara

A loss of positions or a reduction in what's needed to pay that staff.

1:8:0.260 --> 1:8:2.870

Neal, Barbara

We should be able to we need to be able to support that.

1:8:4.550 --> 1:8:5.170

Neal, Barbara
Statement.

1:8:4.300 --> 1:8:9.730

Burnham, Lance

I think what we could do, yeah, I think what we could do is we could run projected.

1:8:10.400 --> 1:8:14.830

Burnham, Lance

Numbers through APCO, who? Who is the one that we used to?

1:8:15.970 --> 1:8:22.580

Burnham, Lance

To to see what we what we should be, where we should be, as far as our current positions.

1:8:24.440 --> 1:8:41.110

Burnham, Lance

And, but essentially that would be like what we're doing now. OK, if we lose all of Ireland county, we lose these. But we're we have these numbers through state agencies. We have these numbers through 911. What APCO is the one who has those calculators that says this is what your staffing should be.

1:8:42.10 --> 1:8:43.880

Neal, Barbara

Right, exactly. That's what I'm getting at.

1:8:44.270 --> 1:8:45.470

Burnham, Lance

Yeah, I think.

1:8:48.180 --> 1:8:49.10

Burnham, Lance

Right, yeah.

1:8:45.180 --> 1:8:50.550

Neal, Barbara

And you you need to have all those data points though to plug into that calculator. So.

1:8:50.50 --> 1:9:0.410

Burnham, Lance

Yeah, and I, but I can tell you, like right now we're nowhere near what app? Who says we should be with our current positions even if we were fully?

1:9:2.240 --> 1:9:3.530

Burnham, Lance

Even if we will fall.

1:9:4.480 --> 1:9:10.380

Burnham, Lance

We're nowhere near what app. Who says where we should be? But I'd be curious what they would say. And I don't.

1:9:14.150 --> 1:9:16.310

Burnham, Lance

I think if we had any old data but.

1:9:18.190 --> 1:9:18.510

Neal, Barbara

OK.

1:9:17.630 --> 1:9:18.550

Burnham, Lance

But we can use that.

1:9:17.440 --> 1:9:18.720

Paul White

So what you're saying is that?

1:9:19.550 --> 1:9:33.50

Paul White

What you're saying is that once we shed some of this workload that may they may, the calculator may come back and say OK, now you're down to where you should be without getting rid of any staff, you're down to where you should have been before for a staffing level.

1:9:33.460 --> 1:9:33.840

Burnham, Lance

Yeah.

1:9:34.800 --> 1:9:35.140

Burnham, Lance

Yes.

1:9:40.260 --> 1:9:41.370

Paul White

Yeah, absolutely.

1:9:36.690 --> 1:9:48.840

Neal, Barbara

And and that could very well happen. I just think we ought to be able to document it right, because there's gonna be questions around. There's definitely gonna be questions around that if if, if all of these agencies are being shed.

1:9:50.20 --> 1:10:0.530

Neal, Barbara

There is there is a corresponding reduction in workload. What is it and how? How does it impact you know the staffing levels that are or ought to be?

1:10:1.710 --> 1:10:7.380

Neal, Barbara

And I know I keep hammering on that point and you can count on me to keep bringing it up.

1:10:10.520 --> 1:10:12.230

Neal, Barbara

And I'll be quiet now. Thank you.

1:10:15.930 --> 1:10:16.660

Paul White

OK.

1:10:17.590 --> 1:10:19.290

Paul White

So it's 940.

1:10:20.100 --> 1:10:21.870

Paul White

I want to make sure we do wrap up on time.

1:10:23.190 --> 1:10:35.230

Paul White

Umm, I had actually anticipated. The Commissioners talked to go a little bit longer than it did, so I am. I don't have anything else, so they're I'd like to open it up for any other members of the working group that.

1:10:36.120 --> 1:10:38.400

Paul White

Uh. Either anybody that hasn't weighed in or.

1:10:39.940 --> 1:10:41.30

Paul White

Anything to share?

1:10:42.160 --> 1:10:43.810

Paul White

Before we go to public comment.

1:10:54.210 --> 1:10:54.580

Paul White

Umm.

1:10:55.350 --> 1:11:2.520

Paul White

Brian, I know you were out for a few days, Brian. I you may not have seen your e-mail, but I'd George Merkel represents.

1:11:4.80 --> 1:11:13.370

Paul White

The Chiefs Association, specifically for communities that use state dispatching, and he's retiring at the end of October. So I don't know if you had a chance to think about.

1:11:14.430 --> 1:11:16.160

Paul White

Recruiting a chief to take his place.

1:11:19.880 --> 1:11:26.830

Brian Peete

Yeah, that's we're gonna gonna bring that up. And I should have somebody that will that will do that.

1:11:28.160 --> 1:11:30.110

Brian Peete

Here and have that put out.

1:11:30.950 --> 1:11:31.210

Paul White

OK.

1:11:32.680 --> 1:11:43.710

Paul White

You know, I I see a chief that's been attending our meetings for the last, I don't know, month or so sitting quietly in the back of the virtual room. So maybe maybe you have a volunteer there. I won't speak for them, but.

1:11:47.0 --> 1:11:47.470

Paul White

That's right.

1:11:44.500 --> 1:11:49.80

Brian Peete

Hopefully he'll just drop me that e-mail and just say that he has that entry so I can bring it to the very top.

1:11:54.850 --> 1:11:57.370

Paul White

OK. Anything is.

1:11:59.600 --> 1:12:10.510

Paul White

I had, uh. I had a conversation with Jack Helms since we last met and I think Jack is with us. I know he's he's struggled to be able to get to all of our meetings over the last couple of months.

1:12:11.830 --> 1:12:17.420

Paul White

But we had a good chat the other day. I didn't. I see. I think Jack is here. Did you have anything you wanted to add, Jack?

1:12:29.10 --> 1:12:30.180

Paul White

Maybe he can't hear me.

1:12:32.960 --> 1:12:34.730

Paul White

You if you're there, you're muted.

1:12:45.320 --> 1:12:45.660

Paul White

OK.

1:12:46.330 --> 1:12:48.530

Paul White

I think we're back down to the point of.

1:12:49.620 --> 1:12:50.990

Paul White

No longer having a quorum.

1:12:53.880 --> 1:12:59.490

Paul White

So if there's nothing from any members of the working group, I will go ahead and open it up to public comment.

1:13:0.940 --> 1:13:1.520

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Can you hear me?

1:13:0.610 --> 1:13:1.670

Paul White

Mandy first.

1:13:2.580 --> 1:13:4.20

Paul White

Oh, I hear you now. Yes.

1:13:4.520 --> 1:13:4.920

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Sorry.

1:13:6.0 --> 1:13:33.330

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My my question was if our call volume is going to remain basically the same with the same number of people, maybe even less falls, the cost is not going down, so you're adding another layer on top with these regional centers that is wickedly expensive. What have you really gained other than funding the state police with a few more dollars for a few more employees?

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And putting 3 or 4.

1:13:37.910 --> 1:13:42.620

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Regional dispatch centers may and by the state police in their barracks.

1:13:44.210 --> 1:13:51.530

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Because we are ultimately responsible for fire, police and emergency medical, that's one of the basic.

1:13:53.330 --> 1:13:54.790

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Things that government does.

1:13:56.480 --> 1:13:57.890

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Am I wrong in this?

1:14:1.410 --> 1:14:2.320

Paul White

Umm.

1:14:4.20 --> 1:14:9.310

Paul White

I don't know that that mandate exists anywhere in writing. It's it certainly is past practice.

1:14:14.960 --> 1:14:15.240

Burnham, Lance

I don't.

1:14:19.840 --> 1:14:20.140

Paul White

Yes.

1:14:14.800 --> 1:14:21.910

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Well, that's what our government supplied us with for a couple 100 years. I think it's packed past past practice.

1:14:23.270 --> 1:14:31.460

Paul White

I think you're right. It certainly is something that the the public expects is that the government is at the at the very basic level is going to provide for public safety, right.

1:14:32.210 --> 1:14:33.380

Paul White

And you know that.

1:14:34.760 --> 1:14:36.400

Paul White

Would include dispatching, I think.

1:14:36.960 --> 1:14:42.850

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Yes, because these call centers are they're going to be a for profit business if they're privately held.

1:14:43.680 --> 1:14:44.550

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And that's correct.

1:14:46.480 --> 1:14:51.480

Paul White

I don't know of any that are proposed to be privately held. They're all the applicants and.

1:14:52.390 --> 1:15:9.310

Paul White

I mean, there are so like some trying to think some nonprofits, I guess for lack of a better term like I think about the Middlebury EMS dispatch is I think it would be considered a nonprofit, but they're mostly municipalities or sheriff's departments that either host the current ones or proposing new ones.

1:15:14.990 --> 1:15:16.260

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But they will hope to.

1:15:18.800 --> 1:15:20.20

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Gain a monetary.

1:15:22.230 --> 1:15:22.740

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Edge.

1:15:23.420 --> 1:15:24.380

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For their department.

1:15:23.650 --> 1:15:30.480

Paul White

Yeah, they're. They're certainly not going to take on all this extra workload without some way of paying for it, for sure.

1:15:35.780 --> 1:15:42.700

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Well, that's simply my thought is you leave it with the state police and increase their their call centers by one or two.

1:15:43.420 --> 1:15:45.720

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Statewide, we have what, two now?

1:15:47.770 --> 1:15:52.620

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Make it 4 and funded accordingly. It's their responsibility.

1:15:53.310 --> 1:15:54.780

Burnham, Lance

It's not a matter of funding.

1:15:55.520 --> 1:15:56.650

Burnham, Lance

I can tell you that right now.

1:15:57.850 --> 1:16:3.280

Burnham, Lance

It is not a matter of funding, it is a matter of personnel and it's a matter of workload.

1:16:4.720 --> 1:16:12.670

Burnham, Lance

I'm I'm looking at Westminster right now. I have three dispatchers in there that's dispatching for over 60 agencies.

1:16:13.800 --> 1:16:20.380

Burnham, Lance

I have 12 vacancies there and it's not that we can't. It's not that even if I had those 12.

1:16:21.130 --> 1:16:34.880

Burnham, Lance

We were still struggling to do it and it is not a matter of funding, it's not a matter of positions, it is a matter of finding the personnel to do the work.

1:16:35.690 --> 1:16:38.550

Burnham, Lance

And do the work with the workload that they have.

1:16:42.270 --> 1:16:44.860

Paul White

Yeah. I I I don't.

1:16:44.150 --> 1:16:47.270

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Without getting right to ease, what are we paying those people?

1:16:50.260 --> 1:16:50.510

Burnham, Lance

But.

1:16:58.920 --> 1:16:59.180

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Right.

1:16:51.870 --> 1:17:1.100

Burnham, Lance

I mean, I'm I'm willing to have this conversation. I don't think it's. I don't think it's appropriate for this working group. It's. But I I guess I don't understand what you mean. What are we paying them?

1:17:1.960 --> 1:17:5.810

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Yeah. What's, what's are they compensated hourly? They have an annual salary.

1:17:8.780 --> 1:17:9.300

Paul White

Yeah, they're.

1:17:6.530 --> 1:17:10.610

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Basically, on the average, what is it? Is that our issue with enough people?

1:17:11.520 --> 1:17:14.170

Paul White

Yeah, I mean, they're all, they're all hourly employees.

1:17:14.920 --> 1:17:27.600

Paul White

Umm. And I think that there there's salary is evaluated, you know, like all other state employee positions periodically to see if they are classified appropriately for the work they do, you know.

1:17:28.690 --> 1:17:56.210

Paul White

I personally you know, deep down inside, I think I I agree with you Bob. I was not a fan of when the SP went from 4 dispatch centers down to two, but that ship sailed something like eight years ago and I don't see the legislature wanting to entertain going. I mean I I don't, I don't disagree with your point that it is a responsibility of the state and maybe that was the wrong move to make. But I think that we are so far beyond that.

1:17:57.550 --> 1:17:58.360

Paul White

That event.

1:18:3.210 --> 1:18:3.520

05733e00-16b7-4456-ad7c-895eacbf63e5

Right.

1:17:59.460 --> 1:18:9.670

Paul White

It happened back around 2014. Fifteen that I don't think. I don't think us proposing to go back to that is gonna satisfy what we're charged with here by the legislature.

1:18:11.840 --> 1:18:20.900

Paul White

OK, it is 949, so we've only got 10 minutes left and we do need to open it up to some public comments. So unless there's any last minute comments from working group members.

1:18:22.830 --> 1:18:23.800

Paul White

I will.

1:18:24.650 --> 1:18:26.270

Paul White

Ohh Mandy. I see your hand up.

1:18:35.880 --> 1:18:36.230

Paul White

That's.

1:18:27.980 --> 1:18:37.190

Wooster, Mandy

I'm just preparing to send this draft out to everyone that's in this meeting and I I do not know who the 207 number is. And so if they'd like to receive this draft.

1:18:37.750 --> 1:18:38.540

Paul White

That's Jack helm.

1:18:39.90 --> 1:18:39.650

Wooster, Mandy

Let's check.

1:18:39.360 --> 1:18:40.900

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Jack help, right?

1:18:40.680 --> 1:18:41.200

Wooster, Mandy

Thanks Jeff.

1:18:42.520 --> 1:18:46.0

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That's my cell phone that I brought over from Maine when we moved back here.

1:18:46.970 --> 1:18:49.540

Wooster, Mandy

Perfect. I just want to make sure I was being inclusive of everyone. Thank you.

1:18:51.10 --> 1:19:1.130

Paul White

OK, so public comment I came. I know you had your hand up earlier and I did not call on you. I apologize, but do you have something for us?

1:19:5.10 --> 1:19:5.770

Paul White

And you're muted.

1:19:7.480 --> 1:19:8.130

kim cheney (Guest)

OK.

1:19:9.330 --> 1:19:11.320

kim cheney (Guest)

I hope this is working now I.

1:19:11.910 --> 1:19:12.540

Paul White

I hear you now.

1:19:13.90 --> 1:19:13.530

kim cheney (Guest)

Alright.

1:19:14.320 --> 1:19:17.10

kim cheney (Guest)

But I had a question for Captain Burnham.

1:19:18.840 --> 1:19:20.830

kim cheney (Guest)

I was surprised to see.

1:19:22.30 --> 1:19:25.910

kim cheney (Guest)

The Commissioner report that applications had been scored.

1:19:26.930 --> 1:19:28.120

kim cheney (Guest)

Because.

1:19:29.160 --> 1:19:31.10

kim cheney (Guest)

My public records request.

1:19:32.710 --> 1:19:34.600

kim cheney (Guest)

Did not turn up any.

1:19:35.720 --> 1:19:38.250

kim cheney (Guest)
Uh papers creating?

1:19:39.710 --> 1:19:40.700

kim cheney (Guest)
The.

1:19:41.620 --> 1:19:45.410

kim cheney (Guest)
Working group to school or anything or show the criteria.

1:19:47.100 --> 1:19:52.940

kim cheney (Guest)
So there's something inconsistent there. I I'm sure there's an answer right? Like to know what it is though.

1:19:59.710 --> 1:20:0.130

kim cheney (Guest)
Thanks.

1:19:55.520 --> 1:20:0.300

Burnham, Lance
The working group is not this working group the working.

1:20:1.490 --> 1:20:8.580

Burnham, Lance
So I I can't answer that because I'm not part of that working group that scored the, scored that and I'm not. I'm certainly not part of the.

1:20:9.780 --> 1:20:12.900

Burnham, Lance
Public Records request uh. Process.

1:20:15.490 --> 1:20:21.370

Burnham, Lance
I I I honestly don't have an answer for you. I'm not trying to be difficult. I don't know how to answer it.

1:20:22.40 --> 1:20:29.630

kim cheney (Guest)
OK. Well, maybe I ask Mandy the same question. Maybe she can figure it out. My other question is.

1:20:32.290 --> 1:20:33.180

kim cheney (Guest)
I was.

1:20:34.920 --> 1:20:38.180

kim cheney (Guest)
Happy to see that the periodogram.

1:20:39.660 --> 1:20:41.90

kim cheny (Guest)

Ask the.

1:20:42.530 --> 1:20:51.920

kim cheny (Guest)

Chief Pete and his merry men the reconsider and come up with the governance plan cause I think that was lacking.

1:20:53.150 --> 1:20:56.470

kim cheny (Guest)

And I really think some legal help.

1:20:58.490 --> 1:21:1.540

kim cheny (Guest)

Who would be necessary to do this? If you're gonna make?

1:21:2.540 --> 1:21:4.930

kim cheny (Guest)

Contracts with people for.

1:21:6.340 --> 1:21:9.460

kim cheny (Guest)

10 years duration of this project.

1:21:10.880 --> 1:21:11.580

kim cheny (Guest)

Umm.

1:21:13.310 --> 1:21:19.490

kim cheny (Guest)

And then I think there has to be some serious thought and there is always a question in my mind.

1:21:20.610 --> 1:21:24.490

kim cheny (Guest)

Is the extent that the constitutional requirements for.

1:21:26.0 --> 1:21:28.570

kim cheny (Guest)

Equitable participation in.

1:21:29.330 --> 1:21:31.400

kim cheny (Guest)

Major government functions.

1:21:32.340 --> 1:21:33.470

kim cheny (Guest)

Is applicable.

1:21:37.570 --> 1:21:39.680

kim cheney (Guest)

And the the little group that you.

1:21:40.390 --> 1:21:42.540

kim cheney (Guest)

Listed in your application.

1:21:46.450 --> 1:21:47.350

kim cheney (Guest)

To be managed.

1:21:50.260 --> 1:21:50.680

kim cheney (Guest)

I didn't.

1:21:51.490 --> 1:21:57.430

kim cheney (Guest)

Think even came close to a management plan and I guess whoever evaluated the plan agreed with me.

But.

1:22:0.20 --> 1:22:0.770

Paul White

OK.

1:22:0.100 --> 1:22:4.290

kim cheney (Guest)

I think it's a key thing that you've been talking about for a long time and it.

1:22:5.820 --> 1:22:10.30

kim cheney (Guest)

It could use some legal input to help people.

1:22:10.800 --> 1:22:13.770

kim cheney (Guest)

Through a maze of some kind of complicated stuff.

1:22:15.160 --> 1:22:16.810

kim cheney (Guest)

Just my comment.

1:22:17.680 --> 1:22:20.450

Paul White

OK, thank you. Kim. Is there other?

1:22:21.670 --> 1:22:22.940

Paul White

Other comments from the public.

1:22:29.750 --> 1:22:31.900

Paul White
Once on twice.

1:22:37.260 --> 1:22:38.580

Paul White
Look up.

1:22:40.620 --> 1:22:40.950

Paul White
OK.

1:22:37.930 --> 1:22:42.790

advocate (Guest)
Ohh no I'm. I'm here. I just had a mute button. Steve Whittaker.

1:22:47.60 --> 1:22:56.840

advocate (Guest)
The regional dispatch facility grant plan is is nothing close to a plan. It's it's really just a we're gonna throw money on the street and.

1:22:58.520 --> 1:23:8.140

advocate (Guest)
The procurement system, the procurement process is the grant solicitation is fundamentally flawed. That's been outlined in the memo.

1:23:8.800 --> 1:23:9.310

advocate (Guest)
Uh.

1:23:11.280 --> 1:23:14.830

advocate (Guest)
We're gonna propose to fund non engineered systems.

1:23:16.320 --> 1:23:18.260

advocate (Guest)
And or in the my period case.

1:23:19.580 --> 1:23:29.510

advocate (Guest)
You don't. Under proprietary cover of it, our procurement another RFP. So there's no opportunity for in that scenario for the public to critique.

1:23:33.260 --> 1:23:34.760

advocate (Guest)
Hi for the failover.

1:23:35.460 --> 1:23:35.780

advocate (Guest)

Liquid.

1:23:36.570 --> 1:23:37.90

advocate (Guest)

So.

1:23:38.390 --> 1:23:53.690

advocate (Guest)

To it's somewhat of a cop out to the Commissioner to say that we're we're not gonna do a statewide architecture. This cries out for a statewide architecture if we're gonna use state systems as secondary failover and we're gonna do.

1:23:54.580 --> 1:24:0.780

advocate (Guest)

Or from one regional dispatch center to another. This absolutely requires a statewide architecture.

1:24:2.10 --> 1:24:2.750

advocate (Guest)

In keeping with.

1:24:3.390 --> 1:24:28.550

advocate (Guest)

To tease comments, it absolutely requires legal expertise to help these regions get their charter together. I'm quite disappointed that Bob, Slacker didn't even mention the the Charter which central Vermont worked on for years and that was sent over to Rutland County, kind of for discussion purposes, and it hasn't even apparently been discussed.

1:24:29.380 --> 1:24:42.680

advocate (Guest)

Umm. Letters of support keep getting referred to. Letters of support are very different than letters of intent or memorandums of understanding with financial commitments and again containing just referred to that.

1:24:43.510 --> 1:24:51.220

advocate (Guest)

Financial commitments to support ongoing operations is what the RFP required. No, not the applications, says met that standard.

1:24:51.990 --> 1:24:52.620

advocate (Guest)

Uh.

1:24:53.320 --> 1:25:18.170

advocate (Guest)

This exercise of projecting what this is gonna cost ongoing and how to keep it off the property tax is meaningless if you're not gonna address capital costs. The only way to address capital costs is to do your

statewide architecture and put some prices to what needs to be replaced or or or repaired. And without that, you're basically gotta.

1:25:18.990 --> 1:25:20.440

advocate (Guest)

A defective product.

1:25:21.100 --> 1:25:21.570

advocate (Guest)

The.

1:25:22.250 --> 1:25:23.200

advocate (Guest)

Revenues.

1:25:24.380 --> 1:25:36.970

advocate (Guest)

Expenses for dispatch are required by the legislation to be by town, not by regional dispatching agency. So I encourage Lance to keep at it in the detail and with the same.

1:25:38.210 --> 1:25:56.480

advocate (Guest)

Or with greater diligence, what do we do when towns just ignore public records requests and appeals to head the agency? You know, Middlebury EMS. I'm calling it, and I'm out because they refused. They agreed to give the data, and then they refused. Orange County has not replied Orange County sheriff.

1:26:0.380 --> 1:26:7.600

advocate (Guest)

Energy informed systems. So when you talk about setting the load from the state police.

1:26:8.340 --> 1:26:14.170

advocate (Guest)

Because of personnel shortages, where are these personnel gonna come to?

1:26:14.970 --> 1:26:47.290

advocate (Guest)

Staff out twice as many or three times as many facilities it's absolutely it's just absolutely illogical, especially if we're not gonna have uniform standards and systems across the state that the greatest argument I can see in addition to resilience and failover is the ability to portability of staff if they are trained in any one of these centers, they can go to work at any other. And if we let everybody do their own thing in their own way.

1:26:47.370 --> 1:26:52.980

advocate (Guest)

There's no standards. You're gonna lose that. Which is gonna greatly impact to the available staffing.

1:26:55.80 --> 1:27:11.180

advocate (Guest)

I understand I was encouraged at last, said he could go to this. He still had a lot of Spelman system to

pull that I noticed in the Valcour contract that they were not migrating data into valcor. So we if we wanna look at historical data, we're gonna have to look at it from this filming system.

1:27:13.220 --> 1:27:18.70

advocate (Guest)

When I get from the administrative support from the department.

1:27:18.840 --> 1:27:22.560

advocate (Guest)

Sounds very much like the least we can get away with.

1:27:23.280 --> 1:27:43.410

advocate (Guest)

You know, and I wanna impress upon this work group that this is an opportunity to lay a foundation and access greater funding in the long run, but only by having a sound architecture and foundation that includes LMR and LTE and integration with enhanced 911 with multimedia, that's what.

1:27:44.180 --> 1:27:51.760

advocate (Guest)

That's what public safety broadband brings to the table, and we're ignoring all that, and that's what needs to be put into the costs.

1:27:52.440 --> 1:27:56.470

advocate (Guest)

Uh, I would encourage against having the Department of Public Safety.

1:27:57.950 --> 1:28:6.530

advocate (Guest)

Putting the final in or out judgments on this report, they have a clear conflict of interest in and they.

1:28:8.450 --> 1:28:16.210

advocate (Guest)

And they will not allow in or they will massage out anything that's critical of the departments. Lack of planning here to four.

1:28:16.870 --> 1:28:17.390

advocate (Guest)

So.

1:28:18.390 --> 1:28:18.870

advocate (Guest)

Uh.

1:28:22.790 --> 1:28:23.690

advocate (Guest)

That's probably enough.

1:28:24.450 --> 1:28:24.810

advocate (Guest)

For now.

1:28:24.330 --> 1:28:33.220

Paul White

Yeah, I think you, uh, we are up against the 10:00 o'clock hour. So I think you got the last word. Steve, is there any other public comment before we adjourn?

1:28:36.40 --> 1:28:37.250

Paul White

We have about 30 seconds.

1:28:38.680 --> 1:28:44.690

Paul White

Hearing none, I thank you all for your attendance today and we'll hopefully see you all next week.

1:28:47.870 --> 1:28:49.50

Neal, Barbara

Thank you. Bye bye.

1:28:49.880 --> 1:28:50.510

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Thank you.

1:28:51.90 --> 1:28:51.610

Wooster, Mandy

Thank you.

1:28:51.430 --> 1:28:51.870

Brian Peete

Everybody.

1:28:55.670 --> 1:28:56.260

Bob Schlachter (Guest)

Thanks all.